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Utilities Commission**

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Via Email

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Re: Secure Leave for 2026 and 2027

To whom it may concern:

Please be advised that the Commission is placing a hold on the following weeks, during which the Commission will not schedule any new non-emergency proceedings, including but not limited to Staff Conferences, public or expert witness hearings, oral arguments, technical conferences or external meetings of any kind, and will also not set any filing deadlines for these weeks:

October 19, 2026 - October 23, 2026

March 29, 2027 - April 2, 2027

July 5, 2027 - July 9, 2027

August 30, 2027 - September 3, 2027

To the extent that any dockets have had deadlines previously set for any of these weeks, please file a motion to modify the deadline and cite this letter as justification. However, hearings that have already been scheduled on October 20, 2026, will not be rescheduled.

It is my hope that these hold periods will allow you to make and keep personal plans free from the urgent demands of your respective professions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William M. Brawley".

William M. Brawley
Chairman, North Carolina Utilities Commission

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